

Notice of Proposed Action

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State of Nevada

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Lone Tree Mine**, a gold mining facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for renewal of **Permit NEV90058** is:

Newmont Mining Corporation
Lone Tree Mine
P.O. Box 388
Valmy, Nevada 89438-0388

The Lone Tree Mine is located in Humboldt County, within Sections 1 through 3, 11 through 17, and 23 through 24 of Township 34 North, Range 42 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian (MDB&M), approximately 34 miles east of Winnemucca, Nevada.

The project consists of an open pit, a tailings facility, waste rock storage facilities, mill facilities, heap leach facilities, associated piping facilities, and groundwater monitoring wells. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to issue the Water Pollution Control Permit renewal or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative determination to issue the permit renewal.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed permit renewal, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the permit renewal, or who request a public hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, NAC Chapter 445A, must submit their comments, objections, or requests no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (**6 September 2002**) to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
Capitol Complex
333 W. Nye Lane, Room 138
Carson City, NV 89706-0851

All comments or objections received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Alan Tinney at (775) 687-9414, toll free in Nevada (800) 992-0900, extension 4670, or visit our website at <http://ndep.state.nv.us/bmrr/bmrr01.html>